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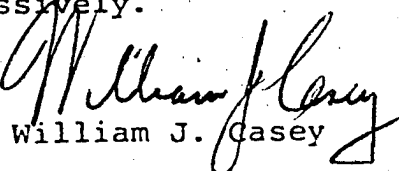
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: National Security Council Structure

1. As indicated in my memorandum of 9 February 1981, I have prepared proposed changes in the draft National Security Decision Directive submitted to you by the Secretaries of State and Defense. These are indicated on the attached draft. New material is in italics. The only deletion is of the paragraph providing that a later directive will establish an interdepartmental decisionmaking mechanism for intelligence matters.

2. The new decisionmaking structure for intelligence is different from, and therefore inconsistent with, that established in Executive Order 12036. Thus, I am also attaching a draft Executive Order revoking the relevant provisions of Executive Order 12036.

3. With the inclusion of the ideas set forth in the attached drafts, the proposed National Security Decision Directive would be acceptable from my perspective as Director of Central Intelligence and, I think, would establish an appropriate decisionmaking mechanism for intelligence matters that will ensure adequate interdepartmental consideration without burdening the process excessively.


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Attachments

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